

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached two sheets of drawings include changes to FIG. 1 and FIG. 7, and replace the two original sheets including FIG. 1 and FIG. 7. In FIG. 1, the location line for the numeral reference 31 is extended to correctly reach the insertion opening 31. In FIG. 7, numeral reference 54b in the Replacement Sheet drawing sheet 6 was inadvertently erroneously shown as 54d in the original drawing sheet 6.

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in the application, with Claim 1 being the sole independent claim.

It is gratefully acknowledged that Claims 2 and 6-10 have allowable subject matter. Claim 2 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 6-10 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph set forth in the Office Action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The drawings are objected to because reference number 53a is cited as “holes” on line 15, page 8 of the Written Description, but displayed as “notches” in the drawings.

The drawings are further objected to because reference number 31 is cited as insertion opening (Written Description page 7 line 21), but in Figure 1 does not point to the insertion opening.

Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph because the recitation “the rear plate . . . being surrounded by . . . the rear plate” allegedly causes the claim to fail the enablement test.

Claims 6-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph due to lack of antecedent for the recitation “the fourth hinge axes” in Claim 6.

Claims 1 and 3-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Provi (U.S. Pat. No.3,185,233).

Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Provi in view of Henderson (U.S. Pat. No.2,014,176).

Claims 1-2 and 5-7 are amended. No new subject matter is presented.

Regarding the objections to the drawings, the above-mention amendment to the Specification and the Replacement Sheets for Drawing Sheets 1 and 6 are believed to overcome the objections.

Regarding the rejection of Claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, the above claim amendments are believed to overcome the rejection.

Regarding the rejection of Claims 6-10 5 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, the above claim amendments are believed to overcome the rejection.

Regarding the rejection of Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), the Examiner states that Provi anticipates each and every limitation of the claim. Amended Claim 1 teaches, in part, a cradle for a portable communication device, the cradle comprising a front cover; a rear cover; a rear plate located at a rear side of the rear cover, the rear plate rotating about a hinge axis between an unfolded position and a folded position; and at least one link unit having at least a first link and a second link having two ends, *each of the ends coupled, solely rotatably, to one of the front cover and the rear plate*, a support provided at an upper portion of the first link, *in the unfolded position the portable communication device being detachable from the cradle, in the folded position the portable communication device being detached from the cradle.*

Provi discloses a cradle for a portable device 5 (FIG. 1), the cradle comprising a front cover 6 (FIG. 2); a rear cover 7 (FIG. 2); a rear plate 13 located at a rear side of the rear cover 7 (FIG. 2), the rear plate 13 rotating about a hinge axis between an unfolded position (FIG. 2) and a folded position (FIG. 1); and at least one link unit 18 having at least a first link 18 having two ends (FIGs. 2-3), a support 24 provided at an upper portion of the first link 18 (FIG. 3).

First, one end 21 of the first link 18 of Provi is coupled, slidably and pivotally, to the rear plate 13 (FIGs. 2-3, col. 1 line 39, col. 3 line 18). By contrast, one end of the link 52 of the present application is coupled, solely rotatably, to the rear plate 40 (FIGs. 6-7). The cradle of Provi is unable to function when the end 21 of the first link 18 is coupled without sliding to the rear plate 13 (FIGs. 2-3). Provi fails to disclose the limitation of *each of the ends coupled, solely rotatably, to one of the*

front cover and the rear plate taught by Amended Claim 1.

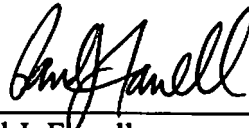
Second, throughout the whole disclosure of Provi, it is reasonably deduced that the scale 5 of Provi is permanently coupled to the supporting leg 13. By contrast, the portable communication device 100 of the present application is detachable through the opening 51b from the cradle 10 while being placed to the cradle 10 in the unfolded position (FIG. 9). Provi fails to disclose the limitation of *in the unfolded position the portable communication device being detachable from the cradle* taught by Amended Claim 1.

Third, the scale 5 of Provi in the folded position is still attached to the supporting leg 13 (FIG. 1). By contrast, in the folded position (FIG. 2) of the present application, the portable communication 100 is detached from the cradle 10 (FIGs. 2 and 9). Provi fails to disclose the limitation of *in the folded position the portable communication device being detached from the cradle* taught by Amended Claim 1.

Clearly, Amended Claim 1 structurally differs from Provi.

In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims herein, namely Claims 1-10, are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment: Drawing Sheets 1 and 6.

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